

Rural Energy Savings Program Act: The House passed H.R. 4785, to amend the miscellaneous rural development provisions of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that will use the funds to make loans to consumers to implement energy efficiency measures involving structural improvements and investments in cost-effective, commercial off-the-shelf technologies to reduce home energy use, by a recorded vote of 240 ayes to 172 noes, Roll No. 530.

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Agreed to the Shadegg motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment. Subsequently, Representative Butterfield reported the bill back to the House with the amendment and the amendment was agreed to.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of H. Rept. 111–594 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Agriculture now printed in the bill.

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Agreed to:

Cuellar amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–594) that directs the Secretary of Agriculture to provide assistance and technical advice to the qualified entities providing loans under this bill to increase the participation of economically distressed rural communities with unemployment rates above the national average;

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McCarthy (NY) amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–594) that requires that lenders providing loans under this Act give priority to active duty members of the Armed Forces and to veterans;

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Butterfield amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–594) that requires the Department of Energy, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, to consider passive house retrofits when identifying qualified energy efficiency measures; and

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Holden manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 111–594) that clarifies that loan funds under the bill may not be used to purchase manufactured homes, makes technical corrections to a Comptroller General report, prohibits provision of funds to certain contractors and makes ineligible for loans certain Federal Employees. It also requires the Secretaries of Energy and Agriculture to take steps to prevent misuse of funds. Prohibits any additions to direct spending in regards to provisions within this Act. Does not allow an entity with an ongoing

capital repayment obligation to the Treasury due to the Troubled Assets Relief Program to participate in the programs within this Act. Ensures that funds provided under this bill would supplement and not supplant other energy efficiency funding (by a recorded vote of 402 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 529).

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that agree that the funds will be used to make loans to consumers to implement energy efficiency measures involving structural improvements and investments in cost-effective, commercial off-the-shelf technologies to reduce energy use, and for other purposes."

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H. Res. 1620, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 225 ayes to 188 noes, Roll No. 527, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 526.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families.

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Privileged Resolution: Agreed by unanimous consent that Representative Price (GA) may be recognized on the legislative day of Wednesday, September 22, 2010, to offer the resolution that he noticed on Thursday, September 16, 2010, without further notice under clause 2(a)(1) of rule IX.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, September 20th, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 21st for morning hour debate.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism is to continue in effect beyond September 23, 2010—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–145).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6793.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6774, H6774–75, H6775–76, H6788, H6790, H6791. There were no quorum calls.